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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMITTEE MANAGEMENT SECRETARIAT
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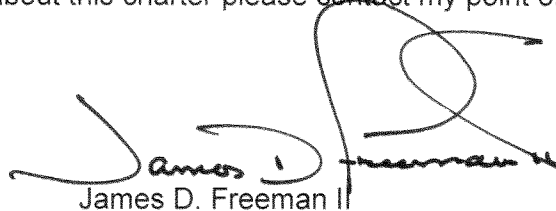
SUBJECT: Committee Charter Consultation – *Board of Regents, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences*

The Department of Defense, pursuant to 10 U.S.C § 2213, and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, as amended, intends to amend the charter for the *Board of Regents, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences* (attached). The Board or Regents will operate under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, as amended and 41 CFR, Parts 102-3 through 102-3.185.

The Board's charter is being modified as a result of the Fiscal Year 2010 National Defense Authorization Act. The Act amends the membership criteria in 10 U.S.C. § 2113a(b)(1) to allow for the selection of people with qualifications in health care, higher education administration, or public policy.

Prior to filing the board's charter with the Library of Congress and the appropriate congressional committees the Department of Defense respectfully requests that the Committee Management Secretariat review and approve the proposed charter (attached). The proposed charter has been reviewed and approved by the Office of the General Counsel for the Department of Defense.

If you should have any questions about this charter please contact my point of contact, Lenworth O'Reilly, at 703-601-6148.



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2 Attachments

1. Public Law 111-84, Section 523
2. Modified Charter

ATTACHMENT 1

SEC. 522. APPOINTMENT OF PERSONS ENROLLED IN ADVANCED COURSE OF THE ARMY RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS AT MILITARY JUNIOR COLLEGES AS CADETS IN ARMY RESERVE OR ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES.

Section 2107a(h) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

- (1) by striking "17 cadets" and inserting "22 cadets";
- (2) by striking "17 members" and inserting "22 members";
- and
- (3) by striking "17 such members" and inserting "22 such members".

SEC. 523. EXPANSION OF CRITERIA FOR APPOINTMENT AS MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIFORMED SERVICES UNIVERSITY OF THE HEALTH SCIENCES.

Section 2113a(b)(1) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking "health and health education" and inserting "health care, higher education administration, or public policy".

SEC. 524. USE OF ARMED FORCES HEALTH PROFESSIONS SCHOLARSHIP AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO INCREASE NUMBER OF HEALTH PROFESSIONALS WITH SKILLS TO ASSIST IN PROVIDING MENTAL HEALTH CARE.

(a) **ADDITIONAL ELEMENT WITHIN SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.**—

Section 2121(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

- (1) by inserting "(1)" after "(a)";
- (2) by striking "in the various health professions" and inserting "(A) in the various health professions or (B) as a health professional with specific skills to assist in providing mental health care to members of the armed forces"; and
- (3) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:
 "(2) Under the program of a military department, the Secretary of that military department shall allocate a portion of the total number of scholarships to members of the program described in paragraph (1)(B) for the purpose of assisting such members to pursue a degree at the masters and doctoral level in any of the following disciplines:

- "(A) Social work.
- "(B) Clinical psychology.
- "(C) Psychiatry.
- "(D) Other disciplines that contribute to mental health care programs in that military department."

(b) **AUTHORIZED NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE PROGRAM.**—Section 2124 of such title is amended—

- (1) by striking "The number" and inserting "(a) AUTHORIZED NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE PROGRAM.—The number";
- (2) by striking "6,000" and inserting "6,300"; and
- (3) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(b) **MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS.**—Of the number of persons designated as members of the program at any time, 300 may be members of the program described in section 2121(a)(1)(B) of this title."

SEC. 525. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE UNDERGRADUATE NURSE TRAINING PROGRAM.

(a) **REVISION OF CURRENT SCHOOL OF NURSING AUTHORIZATIONS.**—

ATTACHMENT 2

CHARTER
BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE
UNIFORMED SERVICES UNIVERSITY OF THE HEALTH SCIENCES

1. Committee's Official Designation: The Committee shall be known as the Board of Regents of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (hereafter referred to as the Board of Regents).
2. Authority: The Secretary of Defense, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. § 2113, the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended) and 41 CFR § 102-3.50(a) established the Board or Regents.
3. Objectives and Scope of Activities: The Board of Regents shall assist the Secretary of Defense in an advisory capacity in carrying out the Secretary's responsibility to conduct the business of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (hereafter referred to as the University).
4. Description of Duties: The Board of Regents shall provide advice and recommendations on academic and administrative matters critical to the full accreditation and successful operation of the University.

The Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness or designee as determined by DoD policy, is authorized to act upon the advice of the Board of Regents.

5. Agency or Official to Whom the Committee Reports: The Board shall report to the Secretary of Defense through the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness.
6. Support: The Department of Defense, through the University, shall provide support as deemed necessary for performance of the Board of Regents functions, and shall ensure compliance with the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 and the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. § 552b).

Additional information and assistance, as required, may be obtained from other DoD Components with contracting authority, support contractors, including DoD Federally Funded Research and Development Centers for studies and analysis support.

7. Estimated Annual Operating Costs and Staff Years: It is estimated that the annual operating costs, to include travel costs and meeting and contract support is approximately \$250,000.00. The estimated annual personnel costs to the Department of Defense are 2.0 full-time equivalents (FTE).

8. Designated Federal Officer: The Designated Federal Officer, pursuant to DoD policy, shall be a full-time or permanent part-time DoD employee, and shall be appointed in accordance with established DoD policies and procedures.

In addition, the Designated Federal Officer is required to be in attendance at all meetings, however, in the absence of the Designated Federal Officer, the Alternate Designated Federal Officer shall attend the meeting.

9. Estimated Number and Frequency of Meetings: The Board or Regents shall meet at the call of the Board's Designated Federal Officer, in consultation with the Chairman and the president of the University. The estimated number of meetings is four per year.
10. Duration: Pursuant to 10 U.S.C. § 2113a, the need for this advisory function is on a continuing basis, however, it is subject to renewal every two years
11. Termination: The Board of Regents shall terminate upon completion of its mission or two years from the date this charter is filed, whichever is sooner, unless the Secretary of Defense or designee extends it.
12. Membership and Designation: Pursuant to 10 U.S.C. § 2113a, the Board of Regents is composed of fifteen members.

- Nine persons outstanding in the field of health care, higher education administration, or public policy shall be appointed from civilian life by the Secretary of Defense;
- The Secretary of Defense, or his designee, who shall be an ex officio member;
- The surgeons general of the Uniformed Services, who shall be ex officio members;
- The President of the University, who shall be a non-voting ex officio member.

The terms of office for each member of the Board (other than ex officio members) shall be six years except that:

- Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring before the expiration of the term for which his predecessor was appointed shall be appointed for the remainder of such term; and
- Any member whose term of office has expired shall continue to serve until his successor is appointed

One of the appointed members of the Board shall be designated as Chairman by the Secretary of Defense and shall be the presiding officer of the Board.

The Board members shall be appointed by the Secretary of Defense, and their appointments will be renewed on an annual basis. Those members, who are not full-time federal officers or employees, shall be appointed as experts and consultants under the authority of 5 U.S.C. § 3109, and serve as special government employees. Pursuant to 10 U.S.C. § 2113, these special government employees shall be entitled to receive compensation at a rate fixed by the Secretary of Defense, in addition to travel expenses and per diem while serving away from their place of residence.

13. Subcommittees: With DoD approval, the Board of Regents is authorized to establish subcommittees or working groups, as necessary and consistent with its mission and these subcommittees or working groups shall operate under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. § 552B, as amended), and other appropriate federal regulations.

Such subcommittees or workgroups shall not work independently of the chartered Board of Regents, and shall report all their recommendations and advice to the Board of Regents for full deliberation and discussion. Subcommittees or workgroups have no authority to make decisions on behalf of the chartered Board of Regents nor can they report directly to the Department of Defense or any federal officers or employees who are not Board of Regents members.

14. Recordkeeping: The records of the Board of Regents and its subcommittees shall be handled according to section 2, General Record Schedule 26 and appropriate Department of Defense policies and procedures. These records shall be available for public inspection and copying, subject to the Freedom of Information Act of 1966 (5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended).

15. Filing Date: April 4, 2009

16. Modified: